

## **MARY LOUISE ANDERSON LEADERSHIP AWARD**

**This year's recipient, CAPT Lisa Tonrey, was nominated in recognition of her service and commitment to our nation's medically underserved, and for national leadership of the American Pharmacist Association and pharmacy profession.**

CAPT Lisa Tonrey is the Northern Operations Branch Chief with the Division of Health Center Management in the Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC), HRSA. She manages the Public Health Services Act Section 330 Consolidated Health Center Program, Black Lung Clinic Programs and the Radiation Exposure Screening and Education Program. She oversees these programs in 16 states, 257 grantees with a FY 04 budget of \$296 million, a total program budget of \$1.69 billion.

**Under President Bush's Health Center Initiative**, CAPT Tonrey successfully facilitated the development of more than 50 new grantees' programs. She continues to oversee the development and maturation of these health centers, varying in size and location, spanning the Division's largest geographical area, from Ohio to Alaska.

Recognizing CAPT Tonrey's outstanding management of complex programs and sustained high performance level with positive results, RADM Shekar assigned to Lisa the collateral duty of Commissioned Corps Coordinator for the BPHC.

During the last 18 months, CAPT Tonrey has also served as the President of the American Pharmacist Association (APhA), representing the interests of 200,000 plus pharmacist. **CAPT Tonrey is the first woman PHS Commissioned Corps officer ever to be elected to this position.** Through her position, she has been the public face of APhA and has also brought tremendous visibility to the Corps. She provided direct input in developing national pharmacy policy and has been a spokesperson and advocate for the profession. She has established an excellent rapport with other national pharmacy organizations, deans of colleges of pharmacy and with our fellow federal pharmacy chiefs. Her national pharmacist peers this year have selected CAPT Tonrey as an APhA fellow, one of the highest honors given by the profession.

She has inspired many pharmacists to take a leadership role in working with their communities on emergency preparedness planning and response. She is an outstanding officer, has demonstrated exceptional leadership, and is a credit to the Corps. I am honored to present this year's Mary Louise Andersen Leadership Award to CAPT Lisa Tonrey for her sustained outstanding performance as a manager, national leader and volunteer.



CAPT Lisa Tonrey and RADM Richard Walling  
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